

PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of:)	
SATOSHI HIRAYAMA, ET AL.)	Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
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Filed: Concurrently Herewith)	
For: SOLID-STATE IMAGE PICKUP DEVICE)	September 16, 2003

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)

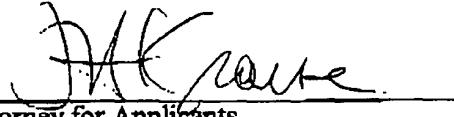
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CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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